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SUBJECT: WELFARE & WHEREABOUTS: REPATRIATION/FINANCIAL  
ASSISTANCE

DEPARTMENT FOR SCS; BONN, BRUSSELS, FRANKFURT FOR W/W

1. CONOFF HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH MR. WILLIAM A. ALLEN, EUROPEAN AGENT FOR NORTH ATLANTIC BUYING SERVICE, INC., 11 W. 42ND ST., NEW YORK, N.Y. 10036, A WHOLESALE CHARTER OPERATOR, REGARDING THE POSSIBILITY OF ARRANGING REPATRIATIONS THROUGH HIS AGENCY.

2. MR. ALLEN BOOKS FLIGHTS WITH SEVERAL AIRLINES, INCLUDING FOUR AMERICAN FLAG CARRIERS: TRANS INTERNATIONAL AIRWAYS, HEADQUARTERS SAN FRANCISCO; CAPITOL AIRWAYS, HEADQUARTERS SMYRNA, TENNESSEE; OVERSEAS NATIONAL AIRWAYS, HEADQUARTERS CALIFORNIA; WORLD AIRWAYS, HEADQUARTERS SAN FRANCISCO. HE WILL GUARANTEE THAT REPATRIATIONS AT U.S. GOVERNMENT EXPENSE WILL BE FLOWN ON ONE OF THESE FOUR CARRIERS.

3. MR. ALLEN WILL MAKE AVAILABLE TO CONGEN ONE-WAY FLIGHTS FROM FRANKFURT OR BRUSSELS TO NEW YORK FOR \$150 (ONE HUNDRED AND FIFTY DOLLARS). THIS PRICE IS ONLY SLIGHTLY ABOVE THE WHOLESALE COST OF THE TICKET.

4. INCLUDING THE COST OF SECOND CLASS TRAIN FARE, HE TOTAL COST OF REPATRIATION FROM MUNICH BY THIS METHOD WOULD BE \$170 (ONE UNCLASSIFIED

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HUNDRED AND SEVENTY DOLLARS) VIA FRANKFURT AND \$192 (ONE HUNDRED

AND NINETY-TWO DOLLARS) VIA BRUSSELS. UNDER THE PRESENT ARRANGEMENT OF REPATRIATION VIA PAN AM FLIGHT FROM MUNICH TO NEW YORK THE TRANSPORTATION COST IS \$421 (FOUR HUNDRED AND TWENTY-ONE DOLLARS). OBVIOUSLY, THE PROPOSED METHOD WOULD RESULT IN SUBSTANTIAL SAVINGS TO USG. MUNICH, ALONE, HAS REPATRIATED 26 AMCITS SINCE JANUARY 1, 1976. IF THIS METHOD WERE ADOPTED BY FRANKFURT, BRUSSELS, AND POSSIBLY OTHER GERMAN POSTS, RESULT WOULD BE CONSIDERABLE USG SAVINGS.

5. THUS PROPOSAL APPERS TO FIT CRITERIA FOR USE OF OFFICIAL FUNDS AS STATED IN 7 FAM 375.3-1 AND WE FORESEE NO PROBLEMS IN ITS IMPLEMENTATION. WE THERFORE REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S AUTHORIZATION TO INSTITUTE PROPOSAL ON A TRIAL BASIS WITH THE AIM, IF IT PROVES SUCCESSFUL, OF ESTABLISHING THIS AS OUR SOP.BETTS

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